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Please replace the Abstract with the amended Abstract as follows:

Abstract

Method for the protection of seeds from soil pests comprising contacting the seeds before sowing and/ or after pregermination with a compound of formula I:

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
X & H & NHR_1 \\
N-N & R_4 & R_2 & (I)
\end{array}$$

$$W \xrightarrow{X} H NHR^1$$

$$R^4 \xrightarrow{R^2} R^2$$

$$R^3$$
(I)

wherein

W is chlorine or trifluoromethyl;

X and Y are each independently chlorine or bromine;

R¹ is alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, or cycloalkyl which may be substituted with 1 to 3 halogen atoms, or alkyl which is substituted by alkoxy;

R² and R³ are alkyl or may be taken together to form cycloalkyl which may be unsubstituted or substituted by 1 to 3 halogen atoms;

R⁴ is hydrogen or alkyl, or the enantiomers or salts thereof, in pesticidally effective amounts.

Seed, comprising compounds of formula I.